CITY ITEMS.

THE gathering of the claus will take place in Crawford's, St. Louis' Greatest Store, this week, when they come trooping in with the translation of the following Scotch into English, entitling them to a

Scotch into English, children
Christmas Souvenir,
The lass tae her lad:
"If yer gaun tae tak's, tak's, if yer no
gaun tae tak's, tell's amither's seekin's,
Country Scots or others may write, giving their names and addresses, when a
beautiful Souvenir will be sent to them
prepaid. Address D. Crawford & Co., St.
Lenix, Mo.

ONE WIFE LOVES; THE OTHER HATES.

Both Are Seeking With Indifferent Success for the Man Who Married Them.

WIFE NO. 2 DEFENDS HIM.

Wife No. 1 Blames Him, Condemns Him and Hopes She Will Soon Be Released From Him-The Women Confer.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 15.-Two women now in San Francisco claim to be wife to James M. Lathrop, whom the police are seeking. One, fraff, sick and miserable, hates him, denounces him, and blames him for her misery; the other, young and pretty, loves him, weeps because of the knowledge that he is a bigamist-and loyally says she knows he is the victim of circumstances which he can explain when he comes. But Lathrop does not come. The police

of three cities are looking for him with warrants for his arrest, without success. The first Mrs. Lathrop-the one who hates and denounces and blames the missing mar -was married to him in February, 1892. The second Mrs. Lathrop—the one who loves and defends and believes him—was married to him, against the protests of her parents. April 14 last, in Salinas. The two women have met, discussed the missing man, and reached an agreement. The one who hates him says the one who leves him may the one who leves him may the one who leves him the says t him says the one who loves him "may have

him if she wants him."

But first there must be an acquittal of Lathrop on the plea that the second Mrs. Lathrop presents—that he thought his first wife dead on he had not seen her since the wife dead, as he had not seen her since she deserted him two or three years before and the courts must grant a divorce.

The Faith of a Woman.

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Mrs. Lathrop—the younger woman, who was Miss Myrtle Rountree, and who probably has no legal right to the name she has borne for eight months—is satisfied that Lathron will be able to clear himself. In the absence of his specific detal and certified documents, rice contends that a man of his intelligence would know the consequence of the crime accolored in a second marriage, and further, that he would have had no difficulty in getting his freedom, as wife No. 2 deserted him.

The police think that Lathrop has put in a second marriage, and further, that he would have had no difficulty in getting his freedom, as wife No. 2 deserted him.

The police think that Lathrop has put himself beyond converient reach of the authorities, but his wife says that she is suce that he will come when he knows that a warrant has been issued. She says that he has made a general denial of the allegations and averred that he would have no difficulty in setting the matter right. She Leiteves him and says that while the case looks very much against him she thinks that at least he acted in good faith and thought that wife No. 1 was dead when he married her at midnight on the lith of last April in Salimas. Mrs. Lathrop came to this city from Seattle, where she and Lathrop have been living, in response to a telegram from her people, which told that the charges were true and urged her to come home immediately Lathrop gave out that he was coming directly to San Francisco and Mrs. Lathrop says that at first it was his intention, but that he deferred to her and she felt that it would be better for her to come and for him to await, a legal summons.

Conference Between the Wives.

Mrs. Lathron says that when the telestraphic inquiry came to Seattle they did not know that a warrant had been sworn to and she knew no facts until she bought the San Francisco napers soon after the San Francisco napers soon after the family, being bitterly opposed to her marriage to Lathrop, was responsible for the publication of the charges, but after an hour's talk with her two sisters in this city, she found that there was a miserable sick little woman in a poor lodging-house on Market street, to whom Lathrop was married in February, 1892, and from whom there had been no divorce and that the discovery of Lathrop's methods was not due to her family, but to the quest of wife No. 1, when Lathrop falled to send her the promised 320 a month.

The youngest and latest Mrs. Lathrop, who is also very good looking, was deeply touched by the interview with the little wreck of a woman, who is ill and without money for ordinary necessities, and who has been looked after during the past ten days by the Rountrees, the parents of wife No. 2. She listened to the story. They compared dates and facts, and while the new wife acknowledges the pitiful conditions, who has been looked after during the past ten days by the Rountrees, the parents of wife No. 2. She listened to the story. They compared dates and facts, and while the new wife acknowledges the pitiful conditions, who had been doubt to her conviction that Lathrop must have thought his second wife dead when he married No. 2.

Mrs. Lathrop No. 2 has sent telegrams with a view to ascertaining the whereabouts of the man in whom she has believed so implicitly and in whom she has believed so implicitly and in whom she says she has been "so happy."

Mrs. Lathrop No. 1 expressed the greatest sympathy for the young woman to whom such a rude awakening had come, and said that indeed, she wishes she were dead and that she will do anything to clear the way for the last wife, if she wants "Lathrop after his cruel deception." Conference Between the Wives. Mrs. Lathron says that when the tele-

DEATH OF LAVINA CONN.

Long Island, N. Y.

Mrs. Levins Conn, wife of John N. Conn, fermerly a well-known hatter of this city, died last Friday at Rush Tower, Mo., after a lingering illness. For the last three years her health was on the decline, and her death was not unexpected by her friends. Mrs. Conn was a native of Long Island. N. Y., and her anoestors, who were heads of Huguenot families, were among the first settlers of Long Island. She came West many years ago, and was well known throughout this section of the State.

Her husband and five children survive her. She leaves several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was 50 years old.

SELL AT A HANDSOME PROFIT.

Texans Dispose of a Mine to Senator Clark for \$800,000.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 15.—The Resurto
Mining Company has sold its property in
Chihuahua, Mexico, to Senator W. A. Ciark
of Montana for \$800,000. The owners of the
mines are: John A. Peacock, I. H. Burney,
Ben J. Tilliar and Sam H. Cowen of Fort
Worth, and J. A. Walker of Brownwood.
The mines carry in a big quarts lead of
gold and silver and were discovered in 1835.
They were bought for \$125,000 several years
\$52.

Pails to Recover Damages. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

TEXARKANA, TEX., Dec. 15.—The case of Mrs. J. T. Price of Fort Worth, Tex., against the Iron Mountain Railroad Company resulted to-day in a hung jury. Mrs. Price's husband, who was deputy grand dictator for the Knights of Honor in Texas, lost his life by falling from a train. The amount sued for was \$19,000.

Ridding the City of Vagrants.

FEPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 15.—Chief of Police
Hays has issued an order to arrest all
mendicants arriving in the city for the
holiday season. Those who have been begging on the streets until now are to be
parmitted to stay, but others arriving are
to be locked up and kept locked up until
after the bolidays.

Young Mr. Leaucur Loses His Job.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 15.—A. Lesueur, Jr., son of Secretary of State Lesueur, has been removed from his position as secretary of the Board of Public Works. He was charged with having absented himself from duty without permission.



Once more this store is all aglow with Holiday enthusiasm. It is brimful of appropriate Holiday offerings. Every department presents its quota of useful and ornamental gifts. Whole avenues of Furniture and fancy home articles. The prices on all are uniformly attractive. On Holiday Gifts, as well as on Home Furnishings, you'll find this is

THE STORE THAT SAVES YOU MONEY.



like cut, covered in silk damask, worth \$24.00. This Week...

ful line at very

low prices. There

is no more ap-

propriate holi-

day gift. Prices

range from

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Library Tables, in solid quarter-sawed oak, highly polished:

Large Turkish Arm ette; worth \$10,00;



AN INEXPENSIVE HOLIDAY CIFT.

one Paring Knife. These knives will cut hot or co'd bread and cake better 950 one Paring Knile. These knives will call not be the three for....

S. E. Cor. Eleventh and Olive Sts.

ornament to any parlor or library. worth \$28,00; Holiday Price,

One thousand of these Sets,

consisting of one

Bread Knife, one Cake Knile and

solid oak, fine

ly finished:

worth \$16.50

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Beautiful

Combination

Book Cases. in solid oak

or mahogany

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This Week.

Ished: worth \$24.00;

design and highly pol-



This Week



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Rockers, new

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in solid oak or

mahogany

finish, well

made and

nicely finished

worth \$4.25.

This Week,

Music Cabinats We've a large line at reduced prices. Beautiful Cabinets, like cut,

worth \$14.50,

\$1.50.

Solid oak Hall Benches, fine polish finish, newest designs, worth \$9.50, This Week

Ornament your dining 100m with a fine, new China Closet; here's a handsome one, with bent glass ends, worth \$18.50, This Week,



Descendant of First Settlers of NINE INDIANS WERE FRIGHTFULLY BURNED

Que of Their Number Innocently Ignited Tank of Gasoline-All of Them Expected to Die.

Cannonball, N. D., Dec. 15, -An Indian amily, consisting of father, mother and four children, were burned to death last night by the explosion of a can of gasoline. Another family, of father, mother and one child, are frightfully burned and will prob-

The Benton Transportation Company had five tanks of gasoline on the river bank at Blamarck awaiting a boat. The bank caved in and all the oil went into the river. One tank was maved by an Indian. Last night this Indian, named Warbonnet, supposing the tank contained kero-

sene, lit a match to fill a measure, when the explosion took place. Coaching Party En Route.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL
St. Charles, Mo., Dec. 15.—The Orthweln coach, driven by Eddie Hardy, with L. B. Barnett and Charles Morris of Mexico on board, arrived here this afternoon, having driven from Warrenton to this city since

At Warrenton the party was entertained by Mayor Doctor F. J. Tainter and Judge Charles E. Peers. The coach was met here by R. E. Misey of Mexico and S. B. Cook, and Rhodes Clay of Mexico and Mr. and Mrs. Orthwein, Ralph Orthwein, and Miss Ella Homes of St. Louis, who will finish the trip to St.

Literary Society Entertainment.

Lebanon, Ill., Dec. 15.—The annual Christ-mas entertainment of the Piatonian Liter-ary Society of McKendree College was held in the college chapel here to-night. The Piatonian Society was founded in 1849 and contains several hundred members scat-tered throughout Illinois, Missouri and con-tiguous States. Lebanon, Ill., Dec. 15.-The annual Christ-

RENOWNED EDITOR

Center Tables,

like cut, in

solid oak and

mahogany fin-

ish, new and

rich designs, worth \$3.50, This Week, \$2.50

Fancy Parlor

Chairs, like

cut, mahogany

finished

frames, rich

damask covering, worth \$12,

This Week,

DIED IN NEW YORK

Oswald Ottendorffer of the Staats Zeitung Was Prominent in Politics and Philanthropy.

New York, Dec. 15.-Oswald Ottendorffer, editor of the Staats Zeltung, died at his home in this city to-day. Oswald Ottendorffer was born February 26, 1826, in Zewittan, Austria. In 1816 he entered the University of Vienna. When the fight for the Liberation of Schieswig-Holstein from Danish rule began, he joined the ranks of the voluntoers. After the contest was over, he joined the revolutionary forces in Vienna. When this movement

entering the University of Leipsic. Fearing extradition to Austria, he gave up the plan and emigrated to the United States, where he began life as a laborer. On becoming a naturalized citizen, he connected himself with the Democratic party. On becoming a hattername of the nected himself with the Democratic party. In 1851, he entered the employ of the Staats Zeitung and, in 1858, became its editor. In August, 1859, he married the widow of Jacob Uhi, former proprietor of the

was defeated, he escaped from the city and went to Saxony with the intention of

He became president of the Liedrekranz Singing Society, and an incorporator of the German Savings Bank and of the Germania Fire Insurance Company.

Mr. Ottendorffer entered actively into political life. In 1872, the nomination for the

mayoralty was offered him, but he re-fused it.

With his wife, Mr. Ottendorffer founded and endowed the Old People's Home in As-toria. They had built and endowed the Gertoria. They had built and endowed the German dispensary in connection with the circulating library in Second avenue, New
York. He erected in his native town in
Austria an erphan asylum a poorhouse, a
school, a hospital, a library and other institutions which he endowed richly.
How highly his work was appreciated
may be seen from the fact that the Emperor of Austria sent him a high decoration, which Ottendorffer, as an American
clitzen, refused to accept. The Emperor
thereupon wrote him a very flattering letter
concerning his many philanthropical acts.

WANT A CHANGE IN MEN'S FULL DRESS.

Question of Frilled Shirt Fronts and Pinked Waistcoats Discussed in London.

SPECIAL BY CABLE. London, Dec. 15 .- (Copyright, 1500, by the New York Herald Company.)-A London paper states that frilled shirt fronts and waistcoats pinked down the front and showing a pink lining through the open cmbroidery are likely to be worn next year. There is not the elightest or remotest possibility of such a thing happening. A desperate effort was made some few years ago to start fancy waistcoats for evening wear. The Prince of Wales had a dozen made, and, of course, several other people followed suit. But they were never worn and are never likely to be, as the Prince, who more or less rules such fashions, has declared himself quite satisfied with the present evening dress.

PEST IN KANSAS CITY JAIL. Federal Prisoner Develops a Case of Smallpox.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 15.—Jail officials here claim to have discovered a case of smallpox among the prisoners. The went, John Williams, is a Federal prisoner. Last winter smallpox broke out in the jail, and as a consequence it was quarantined by the State Penitentiary.

Texas Court Makes a Record.

"WE MAKE THEM." \$15.00 to \$25.00.

YATES BESIEGED BY OFFICESEEKERS.

Hordes of Them Met Him When He Reached Chicago Yesterday.

Chicago, Ili., Dec. 15.-When Governorelect Yates arrived in Chicago to-day and began to hold court in the Auditorium Annex, he found a horde of officeseekers awaiting him. State Senators and State Representatives, anxious to get "tips" on the Senate organization and House speakership

fights, had arrived in town ahead of him, and spent the major part of their time in trying to find out Judge Yates's plans. Governor Tanner also came to Chicago and took up quarters in the Great Northern

Speaker Sherman, Representative David REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Fort Worth, Tex. Dec. 15.—The Federal Court for the Northern District of Texis, sitting here, is making a record for the dispatch of business. Three weeks of the term have expired. There weeks of the term have expired. There weeks of the term have been disposed of, mostly by agreed judgments. Three days were given to criminal business, so the civil cases were disposed of in fifteen days.

Shanahan and leaders in the Senate ngnt were at the Great Northern, buzzing around among the legislators. Congressman Lorimer was awaited at the hotel by Chicago Representatives who sought his advice. A conference between the Governor elect and a committee of Speaker Sherman's adherents, three days were given to criminal business, so the civil cases were disposed of in fifteen days. Shanahan and leaders in the Senate fight were at the Great Northern, buzzing around



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are just as welcome HERE, whether you purchase or not.

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Barometers, Thermometers, Lorgnettes, Eye-Glass Chains, Triple Mirrors, Comb. Brush and Mirror Sets, Picture Frames, Etc., Etc.

ERKER BOTTON 608 BARR'S.

said in his formal statement issued two days.

weeks ago.

Judge Yates is expected to remain in Chlcago until Monday night. Although he said
he would make it a custom to spend Saturdays in Chicago, it is thought he will not
make another visit until after the holi-